

PUBLIC LEADER



SIXTH YEAR.

MAYSVILLE, KY., TUESDAY, JANUARY 5, 1897.

ONE CENT.



IF you have friends visiting you, or if you are going away on a visit, please drop us a note to that effect.

Mr. John B. Holton has gone to Indianapolis.

Miss Alice Shee is visiting relatives at Covington.

Squire Betts of Mr. Oliver is spending a few days in the city.

Miss Nannie Peed left yesterday to resume her studies at Hollins, Va.

Mrs. Lee Harris and children are at home after an extended visit to the East.

Miss Florence Wadsworth has resumed her studies at Science Hill College, Shelbyville.

Mrs. Mary Johnston of Monterey is visiting the family of Mr. A. W. Terry of the Fifth Ward.

Mr. E. L. Boyd has returned to Dallas, Tex., after a visit to the family of Mr. A. J. McDougle.

Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Bridges have returned to their home at Indianapolis, Pa., after a holiday visit to relatives here.

Miss Annie Stewart of Covington has returned home after spending the holidays with Miss Florence Wadsworth.

Mr. and Mrs. R. B. Griffin and children after a visit to Mr. I. M. Lane left Sunday for their home at Indianapolis. Mrs. Jane Morris, great-grandmother of the children, accompanied them.

IF you have an item of news, please call up THE LEADER, Telephone 33, and send it in.

Deputy Sheriff Robertson is quite ill at his home in Maysville.

Superintendent James Limerick of the Street Railway is confined to his home by illness.

Senator Platt will this week present a strong military report against the Free Homebased Bill.

The steamer Virginia passed down at 5 a. m. for Cincinnati from Pittsburgh. She had a large cargo of nails.

Hon. M. C. Hutchins has renewed his bond as County Judge, with George L. Cox and N. Cooper as sureties.

Ben Green, one of Maysville's best known draymen, died yesterday afternoon at his residence on the Fleming pike.

Mr. F. S. Dunham, one of the best citizens of Dover, is a member of the Board of Supervisors now in session at the Clerk's office.

William D. Cochran has renewed his bond as County Clerk, with A. M. J. Cochran, Robert A. Cochran and Horace J. Cochran as sureties.

Mr. C. P. Vawter of Springfield has returned from Medaryville, Ind., where he was called by the serious illness of his father from blood poisoning.

A petition is in circulation among Louisville Republicans calling upon John W. Yerkes to announce himself a candidate for United States Senator.

Joseph Wagner, George McLaughlin and William Breeze got into a wrangle on Bloody Run and the case has a hearing before Squire Bramlet this morning.

The Maysville Cotton Mills has put in a dynamo for furnishing all-night electric lighting. The lamp in front of the big building illuminates the whole neighborhood.

At Mentor Commissioner's sale yesterday Mr. John Reins bought the Walter Blatterman property, situated in Plister avenue and on the Lexington pike. The price paid was \$1,500.

Uniform Bank, K. of P., will meet at Castle Hill tonight at 7 o'clock. A full attendance is desired.

FRANK DRENNETT, Captain.

John L. Chamberlain, K. R. S.

T. L. Green, County Clerk, M. J. Oliver, Ky., buys old United States and Foreign Postage and Revenue Stamps, and pays liberal prices for same. If you have any old stamps, dating from 1880 to 1870, send them to him and get prices.

LOOK OUT, BOYS!

First Thing You Know You Won't Be a Constable Any More.

The law is imperative.

It's a Constitutional requirement.

And the County Court is bound to act.

Bonds of Constables must be renewed biennially, and on failure to do so the office of the neglectful Constable must be declared vacant by the County Court.

THE LEADER gives this "tip" to the boys if they want to hold on to their places.

MAYSVILLE WEATHER.

What We May Expect for the Next Twenty-Four Hours.

THE LEADER'S WEATHER SIGNAL.

WIND—SOUTHWEST.

SEA—BAPT OF SNOW.

WITH BLOW ABOVE—(WILL) WARMER.

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There were four additions to the Christian Church Sunday night.

Business at Bomhazy is suspended on account of the rapid spread of the plague.

President-elect McKinley will begin work this week on his inaugural address. He will return to Canton the last of the week.

The Paris edition of The New York Herald says that Maceo is still alive, and that it guarantees the accuracy of the report.

Two hands of armed men are keeping each other at bay near Aurora, Ga., until the Courts can decide who owns a recently-discovered gold mine.

The Spaniards claim that the Cuban coast is so closely patrolled that it is impossible for the filibuster steamers to land arms or men for the Cuban army.

The foreign demand for Alabama pig iron continues to increase at such a rate that there is still a shortage in ship shops. The trade is regarded as permanent.

Rev. Dr. W. W. Wadsworth, one of the oldest Ministers in the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, and for many years a resident of Louisville, died Saturday night in Nashville.

A prize of \$75 offered by a Philadelphia seed house for the best sample of beans grown from seed furnished by them was won by Mrs. W. H. Fisher of Paris over competitors from all over the Union.

THE WEEK OF PRAYER.

The Service at First Presbyterian Church Largely Attended Last Night.

The first service of the week of prayer was held last night in the First Presbyterian Church, and there was a large attendance.

Two good addresses were made by Rev. F. W. Harrop and Rev. I. P. Trotter.

The services tonight will be held in the Christian Church, Rev. S. D. Dutcher presiding, and Rev. I. P. Trotter and Rev. J. S. Sims will deliver the addresses on the subject "The Church Universal."

The invitation is extended to everybody to meet in these services, especially the Christian people.

On tomorrow evening the services will be held in the Central Presbyterian Church.

Notice.

The Singer Manufacturing Co. has received the branch office of Cincinnati to Maysville. Mr. T. P. Bradley has been promoted to Manager for several counties in this part of the state. Mr. Bradley is now in Cincinnati to remain several days receiving instructions on some special points necessary to manage this branch. The company will shortly have a book-keeper and everything in fine order to serve their friends at the office, No. 58 West Second street.

BURIED IN BOURBON.

That Was the Queer Wish of a Wealthy Robertson County Man.

Charles Bramlette died near Cynthiana Saturday, aged 80.

He owned several farms in Harrison and Robertson counties, and was reputed to be the largest landowner in his section.

Besides land, he had other possessions, and at a conservative estimate he was worth a cool hundred thousand.

He was peculiar in nothing but his ideas of his own burial.

About fifteen years ago he hired a coffin of stoutness to make him a coffin of blue Kentucky limestone, which is much more durable than the hardest marble.

At the same time he bought a barrel of the best old Bourbon the state could produce and ordered that at his death the whisky should be poured upon his body after it was placed in the stone coffin.

The coffin was then to be hermetically sealed and placed in a grave near his residence.

A special says all his directions were followed to the letter, and that the queer burial took place Monday. It requiring a number of horses to convey his body in its heavy receptacle to the grave already waiting for it.

One can but think of the ages to come when this singular coffin shall be unearthed and the remains exposed to the gaze of wondering men.

The tombs found recently in Egypt will not be more curious.

Mr. Bramlette was a constant imbiber of apple brandy and never left his house without a flask full in his pocket, although he never seemed intoxicated.

Having an unusually large stock of Sterling Silver Spoons and Forks, and wishing to reduce the prices on them, Commencing today we will offer you the best values ever offered for the money. Murphy, Jeweler.

The biennial report of the Auditor to the Minnesota Legislature makes some startling revelations concerning \$20,000,000 of acres granted railroads and valued at \$100,000,000 of which, it is claimed, is legally held. The property embraces the rich iron and timber lands.

Lexington Oddfellows are trying hard to secure the location of the Widows and Orphans Home. Of course, if fifty Maysville men wanted it the balance of the town would wear it as a "schlem."

And that's the reason Maysville stands still while other cities prosper.

It is said that Jesse Winner and James Nelson, who were hanged by a mob at Lexington, Mo., for the murder of the Winstead family, were innocent of the crime, and that the Prosecuting Attorney has evidence sufficient to indict fifty members of the lynching party.

The Father Mathew Total Abstinence Society has selected the following officers for the ensuing term:

President—John T. Short.

Vice-President—Timothy McAuliffe.

Recording Secretary—D. L. Desmond.

Financial Secretary—D. Fitzgerald.

Treasurer—John Kane.

Sergeant-at-Arms—Charles E. McCarthy.

Conductor—William Jobst.

Grand Marshal—John Kirwin.

Truth Stranger Than Fiction.

One of the most tragic romances ever known in Kentucky will culminate in the marriage of Oscar Swisher and Miss Pearl Crouch.

Miss Crouch lived with her father, William Crouch, and her two brothers, nearly grown, in Bourbon county, in 1895. She had a suitor, John Powers, to whom she was engaged to be married, which fact was unknown to her father, who had taken a violent dislike to Powers. He forbade him to visit the premises, but, nevertheless, Powers paid no heed and continued to see Miss Pearl clandestinely. Their trysting place was in the orchard under a large apple tree.

One day in the early summer of 1895 the father surprised the lovers under the tree and drew his pistol and attempted to kill Powers. The latter was too quick for the old man, and, drawing his pistol, shot him in the groin. Crouch fell and his pistol was taken from him by his daughter. Powers assisted in carrying him to the house and then left. At first the wounded man seemed to be doing well, and Miss Pearl, believing that he would recover, set the hour and day for eloping with Powers to Aberdeen, where they intended to get married.

In some way her father learned of her plans, and it was generally believed that he forced his boy to arm himself with shotguns and lie in wait for Powers when he came after his bride. At any rate, when Powers came to meet, as he supposed, his future wife, a volley of buckshot was fired into his body, and when the girl came a few minutes later to meet him she stumbled over his corpse, where it was lying in the weeds in the orchard. Powers was dressed in his wedding clothes, even to his white kid gloves.

His assassination caused a decided sensation in Bourbon county, and the Crouch family was arrested for the crime. The excitement brought on by the killing and the arrest of the family caused the old man to die. His sons decided that it would be best to break up housekeeping after they had been acquitted, on account of lack of evidence, of killing Powers.

Miss Pearl went to Louisville to live with an aunt, Oscar Swisher, a young German of that place, fell madly in love with the Blumgart girl and paid her marked attention. She was still mourning for the murdered Powers and her dead father, and did not take kindly to the German suit. She told him that she did not love him, but this seemed to only increase his passion, and one night last August, upon her again refusing to marry him, he shot her in the breast. Thinking he had killed her when she fell senseless to the floor, he shot himself in the head. The wound did not kill him. The girl, though badly wounded, finally recovered.

Miss Crouch, after her recovery, actually fell in love with the man who had attempted to murder her, and, instead of appearing against him in court, went to the home of a relative in Ripley, O., where she now is. It is her intention to marry him, and he will soon be released from jail, because she declines to prosecute. Upon his release he will go immediately to Ripley, where they will be married.

AN EXPERIMENTAL DAM.

Only One of its Kind in America, Built in Big Sandy River.

The experimental dam, built by the United States Government in the Big Sandy river at Louisa, has just been completed and put into operation. The first steamboat to pass through the lock was the Sandy Valley, which was put through Saturday afternoon. Everything worked perfectly.

The dam is the only one of the kind in America, and it is the highest of its type in the world. It is known as the needle dam, which is extensively used in France. This dam possesses a number of improvements over a French dam of the same type. It is thought to be the most advanced piece of engineering in this line to be found in the world. The United States Engineers are deeply interested in it, as the result of the experiment meant a great deal to the future of improvements in the navigation of the rivers.

Did it Ever

occur to you that a Printer who sends you a paper 318 days in the year would like to have his pay on just one of those days?

THE JAILER AND GUN.

It Took Both to Keep Sam May in the Vanceburg Jail.

Sam May.

Or Sam may not!

A few nights since Sam May, one of the notorious May brothers, now in the Vanceburg Jail, almost tore the building to pieces.

He tried off planks in several places and tore out the wall on one side.

He broke all the locks.

He slipped off his handcuffs like gloves.

The Jail had to be closely guarded all night.

Jailer Dale stood with a rifle cocked, declaring that he would shoot at the first head that emerged.

Finally daylight came and the prisoner was still safe.

Word has been received from Sheriff Castle of Carter county saying that he had Hents May in custody.

He is one of the May brothers who nearly killed Washington Smith last Wednesday night at Fairview.

Holiday Merchandise Holds Sway at Ballenger's!

Diamonds, in all mountings;
Clocks, in every variety;
Dishes and Plates, singly and in sets;
Solid Silverware, in newest designs;
Cut Glass, in exquisite patterns;
Watches and Jewelry, without end.
Prices, the very lowest.

BALLENGER, Jeweler.

ROMANTIC ENDING!

Miss Pearl Crouch Will Soon Wed the Man Who Shot Her.

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WORK FOR THEM.

A Plan to Get Good Roads Through Too Much Cost to the Taxpayers.

Major R. A. Hancock, Warden of the Penitentiary, recommends in his annual report that persons sentenced for less than two years be confined in the county Jail and be used in building and repairing roads and streets instead of being sent to the Penitentiary.

It is impossible to teach them a trade in so short a time, and for this reason the short-term men are a dead expense to the state.

A case is cited where a party was sent from Leslie county for three months and a half.

The cost of convicting and confining this prisoner was several hundred dollars.

This point will be forced on the extra session of the Legislature with the hope that prompt and efficient action will be taken in the premises.

Deaths from the plague in India now average 170 daily.

A woman fell dead while shouting in a church at Memphis.

State Senator Ogilvie is seriously ill at his home near Paducah.

Rev. Thomas F. Gemmon of Louisville has been made a Monsignor by the Pope.

Judge Tenny of Louisville, in a lengthy opinion, holds the ordinance taxing the professions to be illegal.

Delinquent City Taxes.

The delinquent tax list of the city is now in my hands for collection.

Those indebted are kindly requested to call and settle, and avoid additional cost or sale of property.

D. P. Orr, Chief of Police.

KENTUCKY LYNCHINGS.

Ex Chief Justice William H. Holt States His Views On the Subject.

Hon. William H. Holt, ex Chief Justice of Kentucky, was recently asked, "Whose duty is it to act in lynching cases?" and he said:

"It is the duty of the local courts in the community in which the lynching occurs."

"Do the laws meet the emergency?" was asked.

"Yes, our laws are sufficiently explicit and pointed. There can be no complaint on this ground. The statutes of Kentucky provide that any one who participates in a mob and helps to hang a man may himself be hanged for that offense, and I think that if this was enforced there would be a noticeable decrease in the number of lynchings in Kentucky."

"What can the Governor do in the matter?"

"If the Governor is appealed to he can offer rewards for the arrest and conviction of offenders, but if the officers do their duty there is and will be no occasion for such action on the part of the Executive. The cure for this evil is public sentiment. When that acts lynchings are decreased."

BOYS' & YOUTHS'

Calf

Shoes

HIGH OUT BALD AND BOTTOM.

J. HENRY PECOR.

